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SENATOR VRTISKA: I'd like to ask Senator Beutler a question if I might, please, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Beutler, would you respond, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.

SENATOR VRTISKA: In listening to your discussion just now, I guess the thought came to me, this particular audit is done by the power districts advertising for auditors to prepare their audit, is that correct?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, they would choose their own auditor. I don't believe they are required to advertise.

SENATOR VRTISKA: There wouldn't have to be a bid. Just a case of...

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, they are not required.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...them deciding who they wanted to do the audit and then let them proceed.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Right.

SENATOR VRTISKA: And I support the amendment,...

SENATOR BEUTLER: They have to be...have to be a certified public accountant; would have to...

SENATOR VRTISKA: But they have to be...

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...follow accounting principles.

SENATOR VRTISKA: They have to be a certified...that's the point I was getting at, they have to be certified as knowledgeable in the area of auditing, and do the procedures set out by statute...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...as far as audits are concerned?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.